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Continuation in Part of Serial No. 10/145,035, Filed May 15, 2002

Title: DIGITAL PERFORMANCE MONITORING FOR AN OPTICAL

COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM

Inventor(s): Leo STRAWCZYNSKI, et al. **Nortel Networks Limited** Assignee:

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Under 37 CFR 1.53(b)(2), transmitted herewith for filing is the Continuation-in-Part patent application of:

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DIGITAL PERFORMANCE MONITORING FOR AN OPTICAL **COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM**

The following documents are enclosed:

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Determination Record PTO/SB/06, covering:

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- c) Specification/Claims/Abstract
- d) Formal Drawings (9 Sheets Figs. 1 8)
- e) Declaration under 37 CFR 1.63, with Patent Application Data Sheet
- f) Power of Attorney
- g) Assignment in favor of Nortel Networks Limited with Recordation Form PTO-1595
- h) Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)
- i) Return receipt postcard.

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